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Patent Attorney Docket No. <u>1009683-000363</u>

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) MAIL STOP		
Koichi Shibata) Group Art Unit: 2131		
Application No.: 09/726,423) Examiner: Taghi T Arani		
Filing Date: December 1, 2000	Confirmation No.: 1425		
Title: PRINTING METHOD AND APPARATUS HAVING IMPROVED JOB SECURITY FUNCTION, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT EXECUTABLE BY COMPUTER FOR REALIZING IMPROVED JOB SECURITY FUNCTION))))		

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed. П Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the
\$\sum \$65 \sum \$130 fee per Disclaimer due П under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed. Also enclosed is/are: ____ Small entity status is hereby claimed. Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$\bigcap\$ \$ 395 \$\bigcap\$ \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. \circ 1.17(e). Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above. Applicant(s) previously submitted on ____ for which continued examination is requested. Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least , which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

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Total Claims	0	20	0	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$	0
Independent Claims	0	3	0	x \$ 200 (1201)		0
☐ If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$ 360 (1203)				\$	0	
Total Claim Amendment Fee			\$	0		
☐ Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee				0		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT			\$	0		

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Respectfully submitted,						

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2006, favorable consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.